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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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DESIGN CHAINS (AS AMENDED)**

EXAMINER: FERGUSON, DENISE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed August 14, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as indicated below. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the application in light of the following remarks.

Specification

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Claims

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